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Dear Sir:

On March 23, 2005, a "Request for Reconsideration of Patent Term Adjustment" was submitted, a copy of which is attached. To date no response to this request has been received.

Based on inquiries made by the Applicant, it is believed that this delay was caused by the USPTO improperly trying to enter a Preliminary Amendment for a continuation case in this patent case. Accordingly, this delay was not caused by the Applicant.

The difference between the day this patent should have issued (August 14, 2004) and the day it actually issued (February 22, 2005) is 191 days.

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The Applicant respectfully requests that the patent term adjustment to be extended to 191 days.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

On April 14, 2004 the "Part B-Fee(s) Transmittal" form for the above-identified patent was faxed and received by the Patent & Trademark Office.

On February 7, 2005 Applicant received the attached Issue Notification having a Patent Term Adjustment of 27 days.

The USPTO failed to issue the patent within 4 months (i.e., August 14, 2004) of the date the issue fee was paid.

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